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Subject: Colorado Transmission Lines

Date: Sunday, September 20, 2009 11:53:04 AM

Mr. Rankin,

Please forgive me for writing you so close to the deadline. I was just recently informed about the proposed plan to run transmission lines through my family's property. I am writing to ask you to please re-consider your plan to run transmission lines through any parts of LaVeta – but especially though Lots 15,16, and 18.

I have been vacationing in LaVeta Colorado since I was 3 years old. My visits there are just as much of a tradition as Christmas and other special holidays. I even spent my honeymoon there.

I-328-001

But my opposition and concern is not just over the aesthetic effects of your lines, but also the health hazards that accompany their existence.

I-328-002

While some debate the link between high voltage power-lines and cancer as supposedly inconclusive, a growing body of scientific evidence does suggest that invisible electromagnetic fields (EMFs) – created by everything from high-voltage utility company lines down to microwave ovens – are linked to a frightening array of cancers and other serious health problems in children and adults.

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There has even been a report released by physicists at Britain's University of Bristol that shows power lines attract particles of radon – a colorless, odorless gas irrefutably linked with cancer.

I-328-004

Even more concerning is that there are studies which have shown that children exposed to magnetic fields of between two and three milligauss or above have experienced a significantly increased risk of developing cancer. And these levels of two to three milligauss can regularly be measured in buildings within 50-150 feet of wires carrying strong electric current.

I am sure by now that you have heard how this property has been in my family for many years. Three generations of family to be exact. And we have all been very excited about the idea of bringing the fourth generation there to continue the tradition - which started this summer when my cousin brought his four year old son there.

This property has become a sanctuary for many of us that live in the city. Several of us spend countless hours in offices, boardrooms, classrooms, and meetings all throughout the year with anticipation of the brief get-away that will be our summer vacation in LaVeta Colorado.

I ask that you please re-consider your plan, and start looking at Plan B.

Sincerely,

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I-328-001: Environmental Consequences (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Potential environmental consequences and mitigation measures from the proposed project will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at

http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm.

I-328-002: Electrical Characteristics (In Review)

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I-328-003: Electrical Characteristics (In Review)

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I-328-004: Electrical Characteristics (In Review)

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